
Transportation Committee
of the
Southern California Association of Governments
June 6, 2013

Minutes

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE. A DIGITAL RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG'S OFFICE.

The Transportation Committee (TC) held its meeting at SCAG's office in downtown Los Angeles. The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Hon. Alan Wapner, City of Ontario. A quorum was present.

Members Present:

Hon. John Addleman	Rolling Hills Estates
Hon. Bruce Barrows, Cerritos	District 23
Hon. Glen Becerra, Simi Valley	District 46
Hon. Russell Betts, Desert Hot Springs	CVAG
Hon. Bob Botts	Banning, RCTC
Hon. Art Brown, Buena Park	Buena Park
Hon. Gene Daniels, Paramount	District 24
Hon. Jeff DeGrandpre, Eastvale	Eastvale
Hon. Roy Francis, La Habra Heights	District 31
Hon. Frank Gurulé, Cudahy	District 27
Hon. Bert Hack, Laguna Woods	OCCOG
Hon. Matthew Harper, Huntington Beach	District 64
Hon. Carol Herrera, Diamond Bar	District 37
Hon. Bill Hodge, Calexico	ICTC
Hon. Jim Hyatt, Calimesa	District 3
Hon. Trish Kelley, Mission Viejo	OCCOG
Hon. Randon Lane, Murrieta	Murrieta
Hon. Michele Martinez, Santa Ana	District 16
Hon. Ryan McEachron, Victorville	SANBAG
Hon. Marsha McLean, Santa Clarita	District 67
Hon. Dan Medina, Gardena	District 28
Hon. Barbara Messina, Alhambra	District 34
Hon. Leroy Mills, Cypress	District 18
Hon. Jim Morton	Lynwood
Hon. Brett Murdock, Brea	District 22
Hon. Pam O'Connor, Santa Monica	District 41
Hon. Micheál O'Leary, Culver City	WCCOG
Hon. Gary Ovitt	San Bernardino County
Hon. Linda Parks	Ventura County
Hon. Greg Pettis, Cathedral City	District 2
Hon. Teresa Real Sebastian, Monterey Park	SGVCOG
Hon. Mark Rutherford, Westlake Village	LVMCOG
Hon. David Spence, La Cañada-Flintridge	Arroyo Verdugo Cities

Hon. Tim Spohn, City of Industry	SGVCOG
Hon. Barb Stanton, Apple Valley	SANBAG
Hon. Jeff Stone	Riverside County
Hon. Jess Talamantes, Burbank	SFVCOG
Hon. Brent Tercero, Pico Rivera	GCCOG
Hon. Don Voss, City of La Cañada-Flintridge	District 36
Hon. Alan Wapner, City of Ontario (<i>Vice-Chair</i>)	SANBAG
Mr. Aziz Elattar	Caltrans District 7

Members Not Present:

Hon. Mike Antonovich	Los Angeles County
Hon. Paul Eaton, Montclair	District 9
Hon. Mario Guerra, Downey	GCCOG
Hon. Jose Huizar, Los Angeles	District 61
Hon. James C. Ledford	Palmdale
Hon. Brian McDonald	Chemehuevi Indian Tribe
Hon. Keith Millhouse, Moorpark (<i>Chair</i>)	VCTC
Hon. Kris Murray	Anaheim
Hon. Steven Neal, Long Beach	District 29
Hon. Shawn Nelson	Orange County
Hon. Bernard C. Parks, Los Angeles	District 55
Hon. Ron Roberts, Temecula	District 5
Hon. Damon Sandoval	Morongo Band of Mission Indians
Hon. Karen Spiegel, Corona	WRCOG

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice-Chair Hon. Alan Wapner, City of Ontario, called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. Hon. Jeff Stone, Riverside County, led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Wapner introduced new committee members, John Addleman of Rolling Hills Estates, Brent Tercero of Pico Rivera, and Barb Stanton of Apple Valley.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No members of the public requested to make a comment.

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

There was no reprioritization of the agenda.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval Item

1. Minutes of the April 4, 2013 Meeting

A MOTION was made (Mills) to approve the Consent Calendar with the modification to note Mr. Mills' attendance at the General Assembly. The MOTION was seconded (Lane) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED. Motion passed.

ACTION ITEMS

2. Amendment No. 1 to the 2012–2035 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) and Amendment No. 13-04 to the 2013 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP)

Margaret Lin, SCAG Staff, presented on Amendment No. 1 to the 2012–2035 RTP/SCS and Amendment No. 13-04 to the FTIP. Ms. Lin stated that at its April 4, 2013 meeting, the Committee released the draft Amendments for a 30-day public review and comment period. The Amendments include changes to 36 transportation projects and the addition of seven (7) new projects based on requests from the region's six (6) county transportation commissions. During the comment period, staff received one (1) comment reflecting minor project edits which have been addressed in the proposed final Amendments. Once adopted, the Amendments would be forwarded to the appropriate federal and state reviewing agencies for approval.

A MOTION was made (Barrows) to recommend that the Regional Council adopt Resolution No. 13-550-3 approving the Amendments. The MOTION was seconded (Ovitt) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED. Motion passed.

3. Revised 2013 Amendment to the Joint Powers Agreement Concerning the Los Angeles-San Diego-San Luis Obispo (LOSSAN) Rail Corridor Agency

Steve Fox, SCAG Staff, provided an update on the revised 2013 Amendment to the LOSSAN Joint Powers Agreement. Mr. Fox stated that an approval is sought to recommend to the Regional Council the adoption of Resolution 13-550-2, approving the LOSSAN Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) relating to local control of the Pacific Surfliner rail service. In January 2013, the Regional Council approved a prior amended JPA for LOSSAN. Mr. Fox noted that since then, outstanding issues with the San Diego agencies have been resolved.

Hon. Art Brown, Buena Park, encouraged Committee members to support the recommendation as it will lead to integration of Coaster, Amtrak, and Metrolink, ultimately resulting in better service on the LOSSAN corridor.

A MOTION was made (Brown) to recommend that the Regional Council adopt Resolution No. 13-550-2 approving the revised 2013 Amendment to the JPA. The MOTION was seconded (Hack) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED. Motion passed.

4. Regional Aviation Program Update

Ryan Hall, SCAG Staff, provided an update on the Regional Aviation Program. Mr. Hall stated that Southern California's aviation system is complex, with over 50 airports including eight (8) commercial airports and over 40 general aviation airports. SCAG's primary federally-mandated role is to plan for ground access improvements to the airports. Mr. Hall noted that current efforts aimed at improving ground access include Los Angeles World Airports' (LAWA) and Metro's efforts on the Crenshaw Line, which would provide

rail service to LAX. Also, the Bob Hope Airport in Burbank is building the Regional Intermodal Transportation Center (RITC) which will improve ground access.

Mr. Hall noted that the 2012–2035 RTP/SCS plans for 146 million annual regional passengers, but also forecasts a 32% decline in general aviation, which mirrors a national trend. The aviation work for the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS will include developing a new Regional Aviation Demand Forecast. Mr. Hall stated that guidance will be sought from the Committee regarding policy considerations, such as airport constraints, governance, and ground transportation.

Mr. Hall introduced Chris Kunze, Director, Long Beach Airport, and was past chair of the Aviation Technical Advisory Committee (ATAC). Mr. Kunze stated that he has worked with SCAG through the ATAC on assisting with the update of SCAG's aviation plans. Mr. Kunze noted that ATAC's unique knowledge and perspective on technical and operation issues in regional and national aviation systems offers valuable insight to policy makers.

Hon. Teresa Real Sebastian, Monterey Park, asked what factors are used to determine the projected decline in aviation activity. Mr. Kunze responded that after 2007, there was a major decline in general aviation activity, and that FAA and industry forecasts still show a flat line or minor growth.

Vice-Chair Hon. Alan Wapner, Ontario, stated that an Aviation Task Force had operated in previous years and was made up of representation from the SCAG region. The purpose of the Task Force had been to provide policy direction to staff and receive information from the ATAC, and that process worked well. Since then, the ATAC and staff have essentially been making policy choices without a policy committee to guide them. For these reasons, Hon. Wapner stated that he supports reactivating the Aviation Task Force. The two (2) goals would be to begin planning for the 2016–2040 RTP/SCS; and to make sure that SCAG is doing all that it can to support spreading aviation impacts throughout the SCAG region.

Discussion ensued regarding advantages and disadvantages of beginning an Aviation Task Force now.

A MOTION was made (DeGrandpre) to recommend that the Regional Council form an Aviation Task Force subject to additional discussion regarding budget, scope, and other related matters. The MOTION was seconded (Hack). The vote for the motion was 31 in favor and two (2) opposed (Betts, Mills) and four (4) abstentions (Hyatt, Rutherford, Ovitt, and Wapner) from the vote. Motion passed.

STAFF REPORT

Ryan Kuo, SCAG staff, reported that the Sustainability Call for Projects resulted in the receipt of 76 applications by the May 31st deadline totaling over \$10 million. Mr. Kuo also announced his one-year rotation supporting the Committee has ended and introduced his replacement, Senior Regional Planner, Akiko Yamagami. Ms. Yamagami thanked the Committee for the opportunity to serve in this role.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Hon. Jeff Stone, Riverside County, requested a future agenda item relating to the capacity and utilization of the Ontario Airport.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m. The next meeting of the Transportation Committee will be held Thursday, August 1, 2013 at the SCAG Los Angeles office.



Akiko Yamagami, Senior Regional Planner
Transportation Planning

Transportation Committee Attendance Report

2013

		X = County Represented							X = Attended				= No Meeting		NM = New Member					
	Member (including Ex-Officio) Last Name, First Name	Representing	IC	LA	OC	RC	SB	VC	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	GA May	June	No Mtg. July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
1	Addleman, John	Rolling Hills Estates		X					X		X	X		NM						
2	Antonovich, Michael*	Los Angeles County		X					X		X	X								
3	Barrows, Bruce*	Cemitos		X					X		X	X		X						
4	Becerra, Glen*	Simi Valley		X						X	X	X		X						
5	Betts, Russell	CVAG				X			X	X	X	X		X						
6	Botts, Bob	Banning, RCTC							NM	X	X	X		X						
7	Brown, Art	Buena park							NM	X	X			X						
8	Daniels, Gene*	Paramount		X					X	X	X	X		X						
9	DeGrandpre, Jeff	Eastvale							NM	X	X	X		X						
10	Eaton, Paul*	Montclair		X								X								
11	Elattar, Aziz	Caltrans - District 7									X	X		X						
12	Francis, Roy	La Habra Heights										NM		X						
13	Guerra, Mario	Downey		X							X									
14	Gurulé, Frank*	Cudahy		X						X	X	X		X						
15	Hack, Bert	Laguna Woods			X				X	X	X	X		X						
16	Harper, Matthew*	Huntington Beach			X				X		X	X		X						
17	Herrera, Carol*	Diamond Bar		X					X	X	X			X						
18	Hodge, Bill	Cleixo, ICTC	X							X	X	X		X						
19	Huizar, Jose*	Los Angeles		X																
20	Hyatt, Jim	Calimesa				X			X	X	X	X		X						
21	Kelley, Trish	Mission Viejo			X				X	X				X						
22	Lane, Randon	Murietta							NM	X	X	X		X						
23	Ledford, James C.	Palmdale/No. LA County		X							X									
24	Martinez, Michele*	Santa Ana			X				X	X	X	X		X						
25	McDonald, Brian	Chemehuevi Indian Tribe					X													
26	McEachron, Ryan	Victorville					X		X	X	X	X		X						
27	McLean, Marsha*	Santa Clarita		X					X	X	X	X		X						
28	Medina, Dan*	Gardena		X								X		X						
29	Messina, Barbara*	Alhambra		X					X	X	X	X		X						
30	Millhouse, Keith* (Chair)	Moorpark						X	X	X	X	X								
31	Mills, Leroy*	Cypress			X				X	X	X	X		X						
32	Morton, Jim	Lynwood								X	X	X		X						
33	Murdock, Brett	Brea			X				X	X	X	X		X						
34	Murray, Kris	Anaheim								NM		X								
35	Neal, Steven*	Long Beach		X					X		X	X								
36	Nelson, Shawn*	Orange County			X															
37	O'Connor, Pam*	Santa Monica		X					X	X	X			X						
38	O'Leary, Micheál	Culver City/WCCOG		X					X	X	X			X						
39	Ovitt, Gary*	San Bernardino County					X		X	X		X		X						
40	Parks, Bernard*	Los Angeles		X																
41	Parks, Linda	Ventura County							NM	X	X			X						
42	Pettis, Gregory*	Cathedral City				X			X	X	X	X		X						
43	Real Sebastian, Teresa	Monterey Park/SGVCOG							X		X	X		X						
44	Roberts, Ron*	Temecula				X			X	X	X	X								
45	Rutherford, Mark	Westlake Village		X					X					X						
46	Sandoval, Damon	Morongo Band of Mission Indians				X														
47	Spence, David	Flintridge/Arroyo Verdugo Cities		X					X	X	X	X		X						
48	Spiegel, Karen	Corona/WRCOG				X			X	X	X	X								
49	Spohn, Tim	Industry/SGVCOG		X					X	X	X	X		X						
50	Stanton, Barb	Apple Valley												NM						
51	Stone, Jeff*	Riverside				X			X	X		X		X						
52	Talamantes, Jess	Burbank/SFVCOG		X						X		X		X						
53	Tercero, Brent	Pico Rivera												NM						
54	Voss, Don*	La Cañada Flintridge		X					X	X	X	X		X						
55	Wapner, Alan* (Vice-Chair)	Ontario					X		X	X	X			X						
	Totals		1	23	7	7	4	1												
	* Regional Council Member																			